TABLE IV

Balance of Trade for New South Wales and Victoria (In Thousands of Pounds Sterling)

IMPORTS

N. S. Wales.				Victoria.			Imports
	Com- modities.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Com- modities	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Grand Total.
1850 1851 1852 1853 1854 1855 1856 1857 1858	2,078 1,564 1,900 6,342 5,981 2,719 5,461 6,397 5,817		2,078 1,564 1,900 6,342 5,981 4,669 5,461 6,729 6,059	744 1,056 3,666 14,680 17,571 11,551 14,285 16,837 14,486		744 1,056 4,070 15,843 17,659 12,008 14,962 17,256 15,108	2,822 2,620 5,970 22,185 23,640 16,677 20,423 23,985 21,167

EXPORTS

N. S. Wales.				Victoria.			Exports.	Balance.
1850 1851 1852 1853 1854 1855 1856 1857 1858	Com- modities. 2,400 1,329 1,943 2,742 3,277 2,675 3,275 3,825 2,677	Bullion and Specie. 468 2,661 1,781 773 209 156 187 1,509	Total. 2,400 1,797 4,604 4,523 4,050 2,884 3,431 4,012 4,186	Com- modities. 1,042 984 1,306 1,387 1,674 2,341 2,560 3,140 3,275	Bullion and Specie. ———————————————————————————————————	Total. 1,042 1,423 7,452 11,061 11,775 13,493 15,490 15,080 13,989	Grand Total. 3,642 3,220 12,056 15,584 15,825 18,377 18,921 19,092 18,175	Excess Imports over Exports. 820 600 6,086 6,601 7,815 1,700 1,502 4,893 2,952

Excess of Exports over Imports shown black.

A banker of the day, however, indicated the true cause of the credit restriction, and of the consequent stagnation, in the following words: 'The extent of population and their power of consumption were entirely overlooked, and it was absurdly contended that mere wealth would convert Australia into one